GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, Retired – Roads & Buildings Department – Departmental proceedings under rule 9 of Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Articles of charges – Issued.

TRANSPORT, ROADS & BUILDINGS (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1370

Dated: 19.12.2009.

Read:-

G.O.Ms.No.257, TR&B (Vig.I) Dept., dt. 19.12.2009.

ORDER:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government under subclause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of the Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for instituting departmental proceedings against Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, Retired vide reference cited, it is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, Retired, in accordance with the procedure laid down in rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

- 2) The substances of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of articles of charges. A statement of the imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed. A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the articles of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed. Copies of documents cited are also enclosed.
- 3) Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, Retired, is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.
- 4) Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, Retired, is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each article of charge.
- 5) Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, Retired, is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defense on or before the time specified in para 3 above, or does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rules 20 of the APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991, or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against him exparte.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.T.CHATTERJEE
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, Retired. (**Through ENC (R&B), Admn)** The Engineer-in-Chief, (R&B), Admn., Hyderabad. Sf/Sc

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ANNEXURE-I

Statement of articles of charge framed against Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, East Buildings Division, Hyderabad Retired.

Article of Charge: That the said Sri T.Yeswanth Singh, while working as Superintendent, East Buildings Division, Hyderabad has failed to issue tender schedules to M/s. A.Nayeem & Co, duly verifying the registration (Contract registration & VAT registration) in respect of the work of external colouring work A Block in the premises of A.P.Secretariat, Hyderabad. This amounts to dereliction of duties. Thus he has violated Rule 3 (1) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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<u> Annexure II</u>

Statement of Imputations or Misbehaviour or Misconduct on support of Articles of charge framed against Sri T. Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, East Buildings Division, Hyderabad (Retired).

IMPUTATIONS:-

The V&E department officials have inspected the following works on 9-10-07. The V&E department has observed as follows:-

'A' Block colouring:-

With regard to the work of 'A' block, the work was entrusted by EE(R&B), E.B.Division to M/s. A. Nayeem & Co., who was registered under public Health Engineering category, Class-I issued by I&CAD dept. As seen from the records the registration of contractor expired on 30-6-2006. However, the agency had applied for tender schedules of the work vide CTN dt. 23-11-06 and concluded agreement on 5.12.06. The division office appears to have not verified the validity of contract registration while either issuing tender schedules or concluding agreement for 'A' block colouring work. The contractor also did not submit any proof indicating his application for renewal of registration.

Regarding VAT registration, the V&E officers verified with the CTO, Agapura Circle and it was informed that M/s. A. Nayeem &Co., with H.No. 5-7-533, Nampally, Hyderabad is not registered under APVAT Act 2005.

As per records, the firm M/s. A. Nayeem & Co., who executed the 'A' block work not a registered VAT dealer. The firm's contract registration as Public Health Engineering category Class-I expired on 30-6-06 and no renewal of registration appears to have been made by the agency. The tender for 'A' block was floated in 11/06. The division office without verifying contract registration certificate or VAT registration issued schedules and entrusted the work to M/s. A. Nayeem & Co. The agency should not have been issued even tender schedules. As per records M/s. Nayeem & Co , was entrusted 22 works in all costing about Rs. 17.83 lakhs from 31-10-06 to 15-3-07 during which period he is not a registered contractor as per rules, as his

registration lapsed. These works include (i) replacing fittings in toilet of Chief Secretary's Chambers; (ii) flooring with vitrified tiles near C.S.Chambers in 'C' block etc. It appears that, as the firm was a regular contractor with the R&B department, no officer appears to have bothered to verify the registration certificates.

The office Superintendent (Sri T. Yeswanth Singh) should verify the certificated before issue of schedules and drawing branch before entrusting the work. The EE(R&B), EB Divn, also failed to verify the necessary certificates and with the result a non-registered contractor (both as contractor & a VAT dealer) was entrusted with works (Rs.17.80 lakhs). Though the works were completed satisfactorily, the entrustment is against tender guidelines.

Sri T. Yeswanth Singh, the then Superintendent, Office of the Executive Engineer (R&B) East Buildings Division, Hyderabad (now retired) has failed to issue Tender Schedules to M/s. A. Nayeem & Co., duly verifying registrations (contract registration & VAT registration). This amounts to dereliction of duties.

Hence charge.

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Annexure III

<u>List of documents by which articles of charge framed against Sri T. Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, East Buildings Division, Hyderabad (Retired) are proposed to be sustained.</u>

D.G (V&E) A.P., Hyderabad, Vigilance Report No.56 (1082/V&E/E2/2007), dt.29.4.08.

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Annexure IV

<u>List of witnesses by whom the articles of charges framed against Sri T. Yeswanth Singh, Superintendent, East Buildings Division, Hyderabad (Retired) are proposed to be sustained.</u>

-NIL-

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